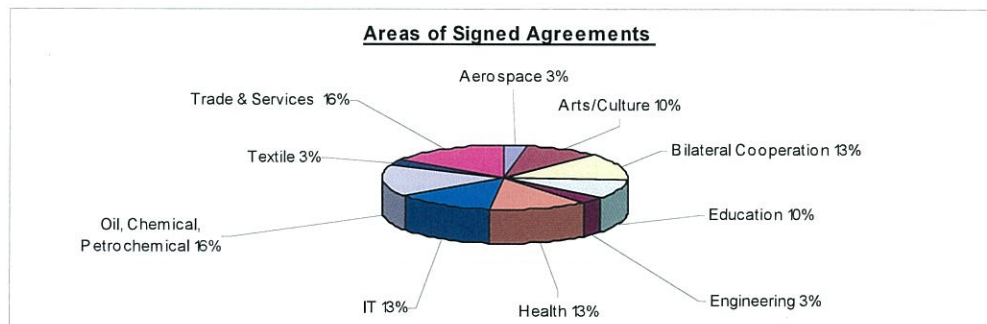


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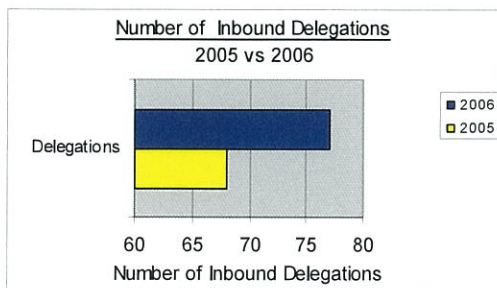
I. 31 International Cooperation Agreements

In 2006, 31 agreements were signed between Houston and other international cities, almost a 94% increase from the previous year.



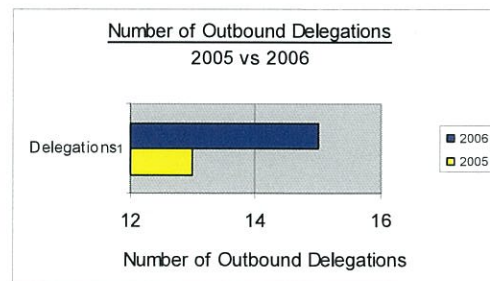
II. 79 Inbound Delegations

In 2006, the MOIAD coordinated and welcomed 79 international delegations from Argentina, Belize, Canada, China, France, Japan, South Korea, Mexico, Pakistan, and Saudi Arabia.



III. 15 Outbound Delegation

In 2006, the MOIAD initiated/supported 15 major outbound trade delegations to 11 cities: Beijing, Belize City, Calgary, Dalian, Milan, Moscow, Paris, Shanghai, Shenzhen, Tampico and Xiamen, and two country visits to India and South Korea.



IV. Internship Program

The MOIAD has expanded its year-round internship program with Rice University and the University of Houston to also include the University of St. Thomas. In 2006, MOIAD trained a total of 16 interns through this Internship Program.

V. Other International Initiatives

The MOIAD has also assisted with many other international initiatives such as working on projects with the Asian Business Council and Chinese Community Center.